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To: Michael Powell
Subject: Appeal to limit violence and sexual content on television

Dear Mr. Powell:

I am writing to express my deep concern over the extreme violence displayed (not to mention the half-nudity and sexual undertones and overtones) on most primetime television shows. I am completely uninterested in watching 95% or more of the shows currently available due to the offensive language, costuming, themes, and graphic images. If I am unable to comfortably view these shows, there is not a chance I will allow my child to view even a glimpse of them. Depictions of violence are far too graphic, including the crime shows that show the aftermath of violence (CSI, Law & Order SVU). Most of the series' offered through the cable channels are exponentially more offensive (Nip Tuck, The Sopranos, Sex & the City).

There are almost no choices left that are not vulgar or explicit. These shows do not support my family's values and will not be permitted in our home. Therefore, other than a few news shows, the Disney channel, PBS, and HGTV, the television has been turned off until this situation is rectified. If this trend continues, you will lose more and more viewers who are fed up with the loss of our rights to decent television! We would rather watch nothing than watch trash!

I urge you to take the actions necessary to limit the amount of violence and sexual content permissible on all television shows and to increase the number of truly decent family appropriate shows. You have the authority and opportunity to turn around a very negative trend in our culture. You can make the difference!

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Paula K. Rogell Paetkau

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Sent: Monday, August 02, 2004 11:06 AM
To: KAQuinn
Subject: violence

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